

United States Patent Application

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As a below named inventor I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MATERIAL MANAGEMENT

and identified by Docket No. 069092.0118, the specification of which:

- a. ☒ is attached hereto
- b. ☐ was filed on _____ as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable), which I have reviewed and for which I solicit a United States patent.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT application having a filing date before that of the application on the basis of which priority is claimed:

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s), or 365(c) of any PCT international application(s) designating the United States of

America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.27(a)(1)

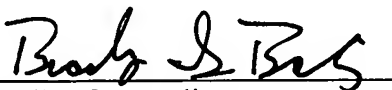
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Dear Sir:

Inventor, Richard E. Waitkus, Jr. asserts he is a small entity and qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.27(a)(1), and 37 C.F.R. 1.27(a)(2).

Assignee, MGM Services, Inc., herein assert that it is a small entity and qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.27(a)(1), and 37 C.F.R. 1.27(a)(2).

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